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CT Corporation

Service of Process Transmittal

CT Log Number 537520088

04/10/2020

TO:

Wendy Dickenson

GRANGE INSURANCE COMPANY

671 S High St

Columbus, OH 43206-1049

RE:

Process Served in Minnesota

FOR:

INTEGRITY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY (Former Name) (Domestic State: OH)

Integrity Insurance Company (True Name)

ENCLOSED ARE COPIES OF LEGAL PROCESS RECEIVED BY THE STATUTORY AGENT OF THE ABOVE COMPANY AS FOLLOWS:

TITLE OF ACTION:

RE: Woodbury Lodging, LLC, etc., Pltf. // To: Integrity Mutual Insurance Company,

Dft.

DOCUMENT(S) SERVED:

COURT/AGENCY:

None Specified Case # None Specified

NATURE OF ACTION:

Insurance Litigation

ON WHOM PROCESS WAS SERVED:

CT Corporation System, Inc., Saint Paul, MN

DATE AND HOUR OF SERVICE

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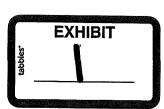
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STATE OF MINNESOTA

DISTRICT COURT

NOBLES COUNTY

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Woodbury Lodging, LLC DBA Norwood Inn & Suites

Type of Case: Insurance Court File No.:

Plaintiff.

SUMMONS

VS.

Integrity Mutual Insurance Company,

Defendant.

This Summons is directed to the above-named defendant and its attorney: Integrity Mutual Insurance Company, 2121 East Capitol Drive, Appleton, Wisconsin 54912; P.O. Box 539, Appleton, Wisconsin 54912-0539.

- 1. YOU ARE BEING SUED. The Plaintiff has started a lawsuit against you. The Plaintiff's Complaint against you is attached to this Summons and will be filed in the office of the Court Administrator of the above-named Court. Do not throw these papers away. They are official papers that affect your rights. You must respond to this lawsuit even though it may not yet be filed with the Court and there may be no court file number on this Amended Summons.
- 2. YOU MUST REPLY WITHIN 20 DAYS TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS. You must give or mail to the person who signed this Summons a written response called an Answer within 20 days of the date on which you received this Summons. You must send a copy of your Answer to the person who signed this Summons located at:

Kenneth Udoibok
The Flour Exchange Building
310 Fourth Avenue South, Suite 5010
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55415
Phone: 612-808-6031

3. YOU MUST RESPOND TO EACH CLAIM. The Answer is your written response to the Plaintiff's Complaint. In your Answer you must state whether you agree or disagree with each paragraph of the Complaint. If you believe the Plaintiff should not be given everything asked for in the Complaint, you must say so in your Answer.

EXHIBIT 2

- 4. YOU WILL LOSE YOUR CASE IF YOU DO NOT SEND A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE COMPLAINT TO THE PERSON WHO SIGNED THIS SUMMONS. If you do not answer within 20 days, you will lose this case. You will not get to tell your side of the story, and the Court may decide against you and award the Plaintiff everything asked for in the Complaint. If you do not want to contest the claims stated in the Complaint, you do not need to respond. A default judgment can then be entered against you for the relief requested in the Complaint.
- 5. LEGAL ASSISTANCE. You may wish to get legal help from a lawyer. If you do not have a lawyer, the Court Administrator may have information about places where you can get legal assistance. Even if you cannot get legal help, you must still provide a written Answer to protect your rights or you may lose the case.
- 6. ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION. The parties may agree to or be ordered to participate in an alternative dispute resolution process under Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice. You must still send your written response to the Complaint even if you expect to use alternative means of resolving this dispute.
- 7. THIS LAWSUIT MAY AFFECT OR BRING INTO QUESTION TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY:

KENNETH UBONG UDOIBOK, P.A.

Date: April 2, 2020

/s/Kenneth U. Udoibok Kenneth U. Udoibok (#262523) The Flour Exchange, Suite 5010 310 Fourth Avenue South Minneapolis, MN 55415 Phone: 612-808-6031 Fax: 612-808-6031

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF

K@KenUlaw.com

STATE OF MINNESOTA NOBLES COUNTY

DISTRICT COURT FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Woodbury Lodging, LLC., DBA Norwood Inn & Suites,

Type of Case: Insurance Court File No.:

Plaintiff,

COMPLAINT

vs.

Integrity Mutual Insurance Company,

Defendant.

1. Plaintiff Woodbury Lodging, LLC., DBA Norwood Inn & Suites (hereinafter "Plaintiff") for its causes of action against Defendant Integrity Mutual Insurance Company (hereinafter "Defendant") states and allege as follows:

I. PARTIES

- 2. Plaintiff is a Minnesota corporation with its principal place of business located in Nobles County, 2015 North Humiston Avenue, Worthington, Minnesota 56187-9769.
- 3. Upon information and belief, Defendant is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Ohio, NAIC ID: 14303 as well as the State of Wisconsin.
- 4. Defendant conducts business in the State of Minnesota as Integrity Mutual Insurance Company or Integrity Insurance Company. But, Defendant markets itself to the public that its headquarters is located at 2121 East Capitol Drive, Appleton, Wisconsin 54912 with a mailing address of P. O. Box 539, Appleton, Wisconsin 54912-

0539.

5. Defendant availed itself to the laws of the State of Minnesota when it sold insurance products to Minnesota citizens such as Plaintiff. Accordingly, Defendant is subject to the jurisdiction of this Court.

II. FACTUAL BACKGROUND

- 5. Plaintiff brings this action pursuant to an insurance contract with Defendant for insurance coverage relating to losses caused by weight of ice, snow and hail storms that occurred at its property on April 23, 2019 and July 4, 2018. Nonetheless, Defendant took a categorical approach to denying Plaintiff's claims without justifiable reasons. Defendant's actions have caused Plaintiff and its property significant damage.
 - A. Defendant failed to provide insurance coverage for Plaintiff's Loss
- 6. Pursuant to Plaintiff's insurance policy with Defendant, claim numbers ZBZ003070962, ZBZ003102259 and policy number BP271 hed acted, Defendant was expected to provide insurance coverage for losses caused by hail, snow and weights of ice on Plaintiff's property.
- 7. Pursuant to the insurance policy, Plaintiff agreed to pay, and in fact paid its insurance premium to effect insurance coverage on the property for all damages covered under the policy.
- 8. The policy provided insurance coverage to Plaintiff for the property at the time of the loss.

- 9. The insurance policy provided to Plaintiff was underwritten, marketed, sold and issued by Defendant who acted by, or through, and/or in conjunction with its agents throughout the State of Minnesota.
- 10. In selling the insurance policy and subsequently collecting premiums under the policy, Defendant expressly and/or impliedly represented to Plaintiff that it would provide full and comprehensive coverage for the loss or damage to the property caused by snow, weight of ice and hail.
 - B. Claim Number ZBZ003070962: Defendant denied coverage for the April 23, 2019 property damage caused by excessive weight of ice and snow that fell on Plaintiff's property.
- 11. Plaintiff's property suffered significant losses that were caused by excessive weight of ice and snow that fell on Plaintiff's property on April 23, 2019. Said weight of ice and snow also caused business interruption of Plaintiff's business. Furthermore, the weight of ice and snow caused internal damaged to Plaintiff's property. Defendant's delay and denial of Plaintiff's justifiable claims of loss have contributed to significant damage to Plaintiff's business and property.
- 12. Because of said damages caused by the weight of ice and snow,
 Plaintiff on May 10, 2019 through its public adjusting firm DTL Global, LLC.,
 (hereinafter "DTL") communicated to Defendant regarding Plaintiff's loss. As
 required by the insurance policy, DTL, on behalf of Plaintiff, provided Defendant
 with a detailed estimate of Plaintiff's loss.
- 13. Instead of adjusting Plaintiff's claim, on June 18, 2019, Defendant sent Roofing Consultants, Ltd., to inspect Plaintiff property and its roof system. On June

- 25, 2019 and without adequate review, Defendant denied Plaintiff's insurance claim.
- 14. Upon information and belief, Defendant was unfair in its review of Plaintiff's loss claim. Through DTL, Plaintiff responded to Defendant's denial of coverage for Plaintiff's loss. To further convince Defendant to cover Plaintiff's loss, on January 13, 2020, DTL strongly questioned the validity of Roofing Consultants' report. Without enough consideration, on January 21, 2020, Defendant reaffirmed its denial of coverage for Plaintiff's April 23, 2019 property damage.
 - C. Claim Number ZBZ003102259: Defendant denied Plaintiff's July 4, 2018 property damage caused by hail storm on Plaintiff's property.
- 15. On July 4, 2018, Plaintiff's property suffered damages caused by hail storm. Through DTL, on August 5, 2019, Defendant was notified of its representation of Plaintiff in the processing of Plaintiff's insurance claims with Defendant.
- 16. On July 12, 2019, DTL provided Defendant with the full estimate of the loss. In response, on September 13, 2019, Defendant sent Haag Engineering Company to inspected Plaintiff's roof system.
- 17. On October 25, 2019, Defendant published Haag Engineering
 Company's report dated October 23, 2019 to Plaintiff. Simultaneously, Defendant
 sent an October 24, 2019 denial of coverage letter to Plaintiff.
- 18. Defendant's actions showed that it took a categorical denial approach to Plaintiff's claims, irrespective of the insurance coverage and nature of the losses.

 Denying coverage categorically seem to be Defendant's insurance adjustment

practice.

D. The Claims

- 19. Pursuant to the terms of the insurance policy, Plaintiff submitted claims for such losses caused by weight of ice, snow and hail storms, claim numbers ZBZ003102259 and ZBZ003070962 with policy numbers BP271 Resacted
- 20. After submitting Plaintiff's claims to Defendant, Plaintiff complied with the terms of the policy and fully cooperated with Defendant by providing Defendant with timely proof of loss. Plaintiff provided Defendant with any and all available records in its possession. However, Defendant resorted to taking a categorical denial approach to all of Plaintiff's claims of loss.

E. Proof of Loss

21. The proof of loss for Plaintiff's claims included materials, supplies, labor, and equipment needed to restore Plaintiff's damaged property attributable to the weight of ice, snow and hail storms. All the repair work are expected to be accomplished pursuant to governmental codes and permits totaling over \$469,000 for the April 23, 2020 loss. The proof of loss for the July 4, 2018's loss amounts to \$874,081.37.

F. Categorical denial of Plaintiff's claims

22. Ample basis existed in the insurance policy that should have compelled Defendant to extend insurance coverage for Plaintiff's losses. But, Defendant denied coverage for Plaintiff's losses. Defendant's actions showed the uselessness of its insurance policy as it related to Plaintiff.

III. FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(Declaratory Judgment)

Plaintiff realleges and incorporates by reference the allegations contained in all preceding paragraphs and further state and allege as follows:

- 23. That Plaintiff and Defendant entered into a written contract for insurance coverage.
- 24. That pursuant to the insurance policy's provisions, Defendant had a duty to provide Plaintiff with insurance coverage for damages to Plaintiff's property arising from weight of ice, snow and hail storm.
- 25. That on or about April 23, 2019 and July 4, 2018, Plaintiff's property suffered damage arising from weight of ice, snow and hail storms.
 - 26. That Defendant denied Plaintiff's damage claims.
- 27. That pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 555.01 et seq., (Minnesota's Uniform Declaratory Judgments Act"), the Court in the above-captioned matter has the power to declare rights, status, and other legal relations, whether or not further relief is or could be claimed, arising from the written contract of insurance between the parties.
- 28. That per the terms and conditions of the insurance policy, Plaintiff is entitled to insurance coverage for damage to Plaintiff's property arising from weight of ice, snow and hail storms.
- 29. That Plaintiff is entitled to the prompt payment of the amount of loss upon receipt of such determination by Defendant.
 - 30. That Defendant bears the burden of proof regarding the applicability of

any exclusion of coverage and it cannot meet such burden.

31. That Plaintiff seeks a declaration from this Court that the policy provides Plaintiff with insurance coverage for the claims and that Plaintiff is entitled to prompt payment for losses as submitted per the insurance policy.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION (Defendant Breach of Contract)

(Defendant Breach of Contract)

Plaintiff realleges and incorporates by reference the allegations contained in all

preceding paragraphs and further state and allege as follows:

- 32. That Plaintiff entered into a written contract for insurance coverage with Defendant.
- 33. That pursuant to the policy's provisions, Defendant had a duty to provide Plaintiff with insurance coverage for the loss to its property arising from the weight of ice, snow and hail storm.
- 34. That on or about April 23, 2019 and July 4, 2018, Plaintiff's property suffered losses arising from weight of ice, snow and hail storms.
 - 35. That Plaintiff timely filed the claims of loss under the insurance policy.
- 36. That despite Plaintiff's cooperation with Defendant's investigation and compliance with the terms and conditions of the insurance policy, Defendant failed to provide Plaintiff with insurance coverage and benefits as contracted for under the policy.
- 37. That Defendant's denial of Plaintiff's insurance coverage lacked a reasonable basis.

- 38. That Defendant knew that it acted in reckless disregard of its policy and that it lacked reasonable basis for its denial of Plaintiff's loss claims. In effect, its decision was arbitrary and in bad faith.
- 39. That Defendant's arbitrary claim evaluation process and the lack of proper adjustment of Plaintiff's loss claims, made any storm insurance coverage purportedly provided under the policy merely illusory.
- 39. That Defendant breached the insurance contract that it entered with Plaintiff.
- 40. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's breach of contract,
 Plaintiff has sustained damages, including, but not limited to, the loss, which is well
 in excess of \$50,000.00.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION (Common Law Unjust Enrichment)

Plaintiff realleges and incorporate by reference the allegations contained in all preceding paragraphs and further state and allege as follows:

- 41. This cause of action is expressly pled in the alternative to all contract-based claims.
- 42. Defendant received a benefit from Plaintiff in the form of insurance premiums that Plaintiff paid to Defendant for insurance coverage.
 - 43. Defendant is aware of its receipt of the above-described benefit.
- 44. Defendant continues to retain the above-described benefit to the detriment of Plaintiff.

- 45. Under the circumstances, it would be inequitable for Defendant to retain the above-described benefit.
- 46. As a result, Defendant has been unjustly enriched to the detriment of Plaintiff, and Plaintiff is thus entitled to restitution and full disgorgement of Defendant's enrichment, benefits, and ill-gotten gains acquired as a result of the unlawful or wrongful conduct alleged above.

IV. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that the Court enter an order for the following relief:

- A Holding Defendant liable to Plaintiff for damages in excess of Fifty

 Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) as allowed by appropriate laws and statutes;
- B. Awarding compensatory damages to Plaintiff against Defendant in an amount exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00);
 - C. Awarding costs of this action to Plaintiff;
 - D. Awarding reasonable attorney's fees were applicable to Plaintiff;
- E. Awarding statutory interests at the rate of ten percent (10%) per Minn. Stat. § 60A.0811, Subd. 2(a); Minn. Stat. §549.09, or otherwise;
- F. Leave to amend this Complaint to add additional claims provided by Minn. Stat. §§ 604.18, 549.20, or otherwise; and
- G. Awarding such other and further relief as this Court may deem appropriate.

PLAINTIFF HEREBY REQUEST A TRIAL BY JURY

KENNETH UBONG UDOIBOK, P.A.

April 3, 2020

/s/ Kenneth U. Udoibok
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Attorney for the Plaintiff

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT REQUIRED BY MINNESOTA STATUTE SECTION 549.211

Plaintiff Woodbury Lodging, LLC., DBA Norwood Inn & Suites, by its attorney, Kenneth Udoibok, hereby acknowledges that costs, disbursements, and reasonable attorney and witness fees may be awarded to the opposing party or parties pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 549.211, if the party or attorney against whom costs, disbursements, reasonable attorney and witness fees are charged acted in bad faith; asserted a claim or defense that is frivolous and that is costly to the other party; asserted an unfounded position solely to delay the ordinary course of the proceedings or to harass; or committed a fraud upon the court.

KENNETH UBONG UDOIBOK, P.A.

Date: April 3, 2020

/s/Kenneth U. Udoibok Kenneth U. Udoibok (#262523) The Flour Exchange, Suite 5010 310 Fourth Avenue South Minneapolis, MN 55415 Phone: 612-808-6031

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ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF

Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State Certificate of Organization

I, Mark Ritchie, Secretary of State of Minnesota, do certify that: The following business entity has duly complied with the relevant provisions of Minnesota Statutes listed below, and is formed or authorized to do business in Minnesota on and after this date with all the powers, rights and privileges, and subject to the limitations, duties and restrictions, set forth in that chapter.

The business entity is now legally registered under the laws of Minnesota.

Name:

Woodbury Lodging LLC

File Number:

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Minnesota Statutes, Chapter:

322B

This certificate has been issued on:

02/27/2013



Mark Ritchie

Secretary of State State of Minnesota

Mark Ritchie

Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State

Minnesota Limited Liability Company/Articles of Organization

Minnesota Statutes 322B

The individual(s) listed below who is (are each) 18 years of age or older, hereby adopt(s) the following Articles of Organization:



ARTICLE 1 - LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NAME:

Woodbury Lodging LLC

ARTICLE 2 - REGISTERED OFFICE and AGENT:

Name

Address:

2401 Prior Ave North Roseville MN 55113 USA

ARTICLE 3 - DURATION: PERPETUAL

ARTICLE 4 - ORGANIZERS:

Address:

Dinaz Pooniwala

2401 Prior Ave North Roseville MN 55113 USA

Diljit Singh Khosa

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SIGNED BY: Dinaz Pooniwala

MAILING ADDRESS: None Provided

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It is hereby certified that the Secretary of State of Ohio has custody of the business records for

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Witness my hand and the seal of the Secretary of State at Columbus, Ohio this 16th day of April, A.D. 2018.

Ohio Secretary of State

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